

## CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

for the Weber Metals Large Press Expansion Project

This serves as the City of Long Beach (City) Notice of Intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Weber Metals Large Press Expansion Project, prepared in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), CEQA Guidelines, and local implementation procedures.

**LEAD AGENCY:** City of Long Beach, 333 West Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90802

**PROJECT TITLE:** Weber Metals Large Press Expansion Project

PROJECT PROPONENT: Weber Metals, 16706 Garfield Ave., Paramount, CA 90723

PROJECT LOCATION:

The project site is located on the southern portion of the existing 21-acre Weber Metals facility. Approximately 11.4 of the 21 acres are located within the City of Paramount and the remaining 9.6 acres are located within the City of Long Beach. The facility address is 16706 Garfield Avenue, in the City of Paramount. The Weber Metals facility contains 19 buildings totaling 298,090 square feet (sf) and conducts aluminum and titanium forging operations.

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The proposed project includes the expansion of the existing facility through the installation of a new 60,000 ton forging press in a new building on the property. The new forge press would be housed in a new 115,000 sf building at a location in the Weber Metals facility that is entirely within the City of Long Beach. This proposed building would require an 85-foot deep excavation pit to house the press and a 65-foot high main roof to accommodate the height of the press. Supporting equipment within, or adjacent to, the forge building would include:

- Large gas fired furnaces
- 3 high temperature rotary furnaces for titanium (~1700 degrees)
- 2 chain drive furnaces for aluminum (~700 degrees)
- 4 die heating pedestal style furnaces (~700 degrees)
- 1 die insert heating furnace (~700 degrees)
- Semi-automated rail bound manipulators
- Multiple mobile manipulators and fork trucks
- Cooling systems for oil hydraulic system
- Quench tank

- Freezers
- Die storage and maintenance
- Overhead cranes
- Die sand blasting booth with bag house
- Compressed air system
- Carbon Dioxide fire suppression system

A Southern California Edison (SCE) electrical substation is proposed to be constructed on an approximately 11,500 sf area located in the northwest corner of the property within the City of Paramount. Existing 66,000 volt (66 kV) electric circuits will be connected to the proposed substation from other existing SCE substations in the City of Long Beach. In addition, SCE has proposed adding a second set of 66 kV lines on the existing poles in order to create a ring bus system utilizing the new substation. The substation would provide services to the project and replace the aging infrastructure and outdated safety systems of the current dedicated substation.

Per CEQA Guidelines Section 15072(g)(5), the project site is not listed as a hazardous property as designated under Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the City proposes to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the above-cited project. The Mitigated Negative Declaration is based on the finding that, by implementing the identified mitigation measures, that project's potential significant adverse impacts will be reduced to a less than significant level. The reasons to support such a finding are documented in the Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the City.

Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and supporting materials are available for public review at the following locations:

City of Long Beach, Department Services Department, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Long Beach, California 90802

Long Beach Main Library, 101 Pacific Avenue, Long Beach, California 90802

City of Long Beach website at:

http://www.lbds.info/planning/environmental\_planning/environmental\_reports.asp

## PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: Wednesday, May 27, 2015 to Thursday, June 25, 2015

Please submit your written comments to:

Craig Chalfant, Planner, City of Long Beach, Development Services Department, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Long Beach, CA 90802 (562) 570-6368 craig.chalfant@longbeach.gov

Any comments on this Mitigated Negative Declaration must be submitted in writing and received by the City no later than 4:30PM on Thursday, June 25, 2015, in order to be considered prior to the City's final determination on the project. Should you decide to challenge this project, you may be limited to the issues raised during this public review period.